

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
DISTRICT OF MASSACHUSETTS**

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| CATHERINE DUKES, Individually and On Behalf of All Others Similarly Situated, | : | |
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| Plaintiff, | : | Civil Action No. 1:04-cv-10315-PBS |
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| vs. | : | Related Actions: |
| | : | 1:04-cv-10355-PBS |
| | : | 1:04-cv-10405-PBS |
| COLUMBIA ACORN FUND, COLUMBIA ACORN | : | 1:04-cv-10408-PBS |
| SELECT, COLUMBIA ACORN USA, COLUMBIA | : | 1:04-cv-10534-PBS |
| ASSET ALLOCATION FUND, COLUMBIA | : | 1:04-cv-10555-MLW |
| BALANCED FUND, COLUMBIA COMMON | : | 1:04-cv-10567-MEL |
| STOCK FUND, COLUMBIA DISCIPLINED | : | 1:04-cv-10603-PBS |
| VALUE FUND, COLUMBIA DIVIDEND INCOME | : | |
| FUND, COLUMBIA GROWTH & INCOME FUND, | : | |
| COLUMBIA GROWTH FUND, COLUMBIA | : | |
| GROWTH STOCK FUND, COLUMBIA LARGE | : | |
| CAP CORE FUND, COLUMBIA LARGE CAP | : | |
| GROWTH FUND, COLUMBIA LARGE | : | |
| COMPANY INDEX FUND, COLUMBIA LIBERTY | : | |
| FUND, COLUMBIA MID CAP GROWTH FUND, | : | |
| COLUMBIA MID CAP VALUE FUND, | : | |
| COLUMBIA REAL ESTATE EQUITY FUND, | : | |
| COLUMBIA SMALL CAP FUND, COLUMBIA | : | |
| SMALL CAP VALUE FUND, COLUMBIA SMALL | : | |
| COMPANY EQUITY FUND, COLUMBIA SMALL | : | |
| COMPANY INDEX FUND, COLUMBIA | : | |
| STRATEGIC INVESTOR FUND, COLUMBIA | : | |
| TAX-MANAGED AGGRESSIVE GROWTH FUND, | : | |
| COLUMBIA TAX-MANAGED GROWTH FUND, | : | |
| COLUMBIA TAX-MANAGED GROWTH FUND II, | : | |
| COLUMBIA TAX-MANAGED VALUE FUND, | : | |
| COLUMBIA TECHNOLOGY FUND, COLUMBIA | : | |
| THERMOSTAT FUND, COLUMBIA UTILITIES | : | |
| FUND, COLUMBIA YOUNG INVESTOR FUND, | : | |
| COLUMBIA ACORN INTERNATIONAL FUND, | : | |
| COLUMBIA ACORN INTERNATIONAL SELECT | : | |
| FUND, COLUMBIA EUROPE FUND, COLUMBIA | : | |

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**MOTION OF THE COLUMBIA FUNDS LEAD PLAINTIFF MOVANTS FOR
CONSOLIDATION, APPOINTMENT AS LEAD PLAINTIFF, APPOINTMENT
OF STEERING COMMITTEE, AND APPROVAL OF SELECTION OF LEAD
COUNSEL, COORDINATING COUNSEL, AND LIAISON COUNSEL**

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| GLOBAL EQUITY FUND, COLUMBIA | : |
| INTERNATIONAL EQUITY FUND, COLUMBIA | : |
| INTERNATIONAL STOCK FUND, COLUMBIA | : |
| NEWPORT ASIA PACIFIC FUND, COLUMBIA | : |
| NEWPORT JAPAN OPPORTUNITIES FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA NEWPORT GREATER CHINA | : |
| FUND, COLUMBIA NEWPORT TIGER FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA CONTRARIAN INCOME FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA CORPORATE BOND FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA FEDERAL SECURITIES FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA FIXED INCOME SECURITIES | : |
| FUND, COLUMBIA FLOATING RATE | : |
| ADVANTAGE FUND, COLUMBIA FLOATING | : |
| RATE FUND, COLUMBIA HIGH YIELD FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA HIGH YIELD OPPORTUNITY FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA INCOME FUND, COLUMBIA | : |
| INTERMEDIATE BOND FUND, COLUMBIA | : |
| INTERMEDIATE GOVERNMENT INCOME | : |
| FUND, COLUMBIA MONEY MARKET FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA QUALITY PLUS BOND FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA SHORT TERM BOND FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA STRATEGIC INCOME FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA US TREASURY INDEX FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA CALIFORNIA TAX-EXEMPT FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA CONNECTICUT INTERMEDIATE | : |
| MUNICIPAL BOND, COLUMBIA | : |
| CONNECTICUT TAX-EXEMPT FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA FLORIDA INTERMEDIATE | : |
| MUNICIPAL BOND FUND, COLUMBIA HIGH | : |
| YIELD MUNICIPAL FUND, COLUMBIA | : |
| INTERMEDIATE TAX-EXEMPT BOND FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA MANAGED MUNICIPALS FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA MASSACHUSETTS | : |
| INTERMEDIATE MUNICIPAL BOND FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA MASSACHUSETTS TAX-EXEMPT | : |
| FUND, COLUMBIA MUNICIPAL MONEY | : |
| MARKET FUND, COLUMBIA NATIONAL | : |
| MUNICIPAL BOND FUND, COLUMBIA NEW | : |
| JERSEY INTERMEDIATE MUNICIPAL BOND | : |
| FUND, COLUMBIA NEW YORK | : |
| INTERMEDIATE MUNICIPAL BOND FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA NEW YORK TAX-EXEMPT FUND, | : |
| COLUMBIA OREGON MUNICIPAL BOND | : |
| FUND, COLUMBIA PENNSYLVANIA | : |

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INTERMEDIATE MUNICIPAL BOND FUND,
 COLUMBIA RHODE ISLAND INTERMEDIATE
 MUNICIPAL BOND FUND, COLUMBIA TAX-
 EXEMPT FUND, COLUMBIA TAX-EXEMPT
 INSURED FUND, COLUMBIA SMALL CAP
 GROWTH FUND, COLUMBIA EUROPEAN
 THEMATIC EQUITY FUND, COLUMBIA
 GLOBAL THEMATIC EQUITY FUND,
 COLUMBIA DAILY INCOME COMPANY FUND
 (collectively known as "COLUMBIA FUNDS");
 COLUMBIA ACORN TRUST, COLUMBIA
 BALANCED FUND INC./OR, COLUMBIA
 COMMON STOCK FUND INC., COLUMBIA
 DAILY INCOME COMPANY, COLUMBIA FIXED
 INCOME SECURITIES FUND INC., COLUMBIA
 FLOATING RATE ADVANTAGE FUND,
 COLUMBIA FLOATING RATE FUND,
 COLUMBIA FUNDS TRUST I, COLUMBIA
 FUNDS TRUST II, COLUMBIA FUNDS TRUST
 III, COLUMBIA FUNDS TRUST IV, COLUMBIA
 FUNDS TRUST IX, COLUMBIA FUNDS TRUST
 V, COLUMBIA FUNDS TRUST VI, COLUMBIA
 FUNDS TRUST VII, COLUMBIA FUNDS TRUST
 VIII, COLUMBIA FUNDS TRUST XI, COLUMBIA
 GROWTH FUND INC., COLUMBIA HIGH YEILD
 FUND INC., COLUMBIA INSTITUTIONAL
 FLOATING RATE INCOME FUND, COLUMBIA
 INTERNATIONAL STOCK FUND INC.,
 COLUMBIA MID CAP GROWTH FUND INC.,
 COLUMBIA OREGON MUNICIPAL BOND FUND
 INC., COLUMBIA NATIONAL MUNICIPAL
 BOND FUND INC., COLUMBIA REAL ESTATE
 EQUITY FUND INC., COLUMBIA SHORT TERM
 BOND FUND INC., COLUMBIA SMALL CAP
 GROWTH FUND INC., COLUMBIA STRATEGIC
 INVESTOR FUND INC., COLUMBIA
 TECHNOLOGY FUND INC. (collectively known as
 "COLUMBIA FUNDS REGISTRANTS");
 FLEETBOSTON FINANCIAL CORPORATION;
 COLUMBIA MANAGEMENT GROUP, INC.;
 COLUMBIA MANAGEMENT ADVISORS, INC.;
 COLUMBIA WANGER ASSET MANAGEMENT,
 L.P.; COLUMBIA FUNDS DISTRIBUTOR, INC.;
 and JOHN DOES 1-100,

Defendants.

TO: ALL PARTIES AND THEIR COUNSEL OF RECORD

The Columbia Funds Lead Plaintiff Movants (as defined by the accompanying memorandum of law), by its counsel, hereby move this Court for an Order: (i) consolidating the above-captioned actions (the “Massachusetts Actions”); (ii) appointing the Columbia Funds Lead Plaintiff Movants as Lead Plaintiff pursuant to the Private Securities Litigation Reform Act of 1995 (the “PSLRA”) with respect to all claims brought under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and the Securities Act of 1933 (collectively, the “Massachusetts PSLRA Claims”); (iii) approving the Columbia Funds Lead Plaintiff Movants’ designation of a steering committee comprised of class members Jackie Williams, Robert Kemp, Edward Berkely, Paul H. Nelson, and John Virtuoso to represent the Columbia Funds Lead Plaintiff Movants as Lead Plaintiff; (iv) approving the Columbia Funds Lead Plaintiff Movants’ selection of Milberg Weiss Bershad Hynes & Lerach LLP, pursuant to the PSLRA, as Lead Counsel of the Massachusetts PSLRA Claims, and as Coordinating Counsel with respect to the Massachusetts PSLRA Claims and all other claims asserted in the above-captioned actions (the “Non-PSLRA Claims”) (collectively, with the PSLRA Claims, the “Massachusetts Claims”); and (v) approving the Columbia Funds Lead Plaintiff Movants’ selection of Moulton & Gans, P.C. as Liaison Counsel for the Class. In support of this Motion, Movants submit herewith a Memorandum of Law, a Declaration, and a [Proposed] Order.

DATED: April 13, 2004

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RULE 7.1(A) CERTIFICATE

I, Nancy F. Gans, Proposed Liaison Counsel, hereby certify that as of April 13, 2004, defendants in this action have not appeared. The Motion Of The Columbia Funds Lead Plaintiff Movants For Consolidation, Appointment Of Lead Plaintiff, Appointment of Steering Committee, And Approval Of Selection Of Lead Counsel, Coordinating Counsel, And Liaison Counsel, submitted contemporaneously herewith is required by statute.

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

On April 13, 2004, I, Sharon M. Lee, an associate of the law firm of Milberg Weiss Bershad Hynes & Lerach LLP, one of the plaintiffs' counsel in this action, caused the following documents to be served by U.S. Mail, on the persons listed below:

1. MEMORANDUM OF LAW IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION OF THE COLUMBIA FUNDS LEAD PLAINTIFF MOVANTS FOR CONSOLIDATION, APPOINTMENT AS LEAD PLAINTIFF, APPOINTMENT OF STEERING COMMITTEE, AND APPROVAL OF SELECTION OF LEAD COUNSEL, COORDINATING COUNSEL, AND LIAISON COUNSEL;
2. MOTION OF THE COLUMBIA FUNDS LEAD PLAINTIFF MOVANTS FOR CONSOLIDATION, APPOINTMENT AS LEAD PLAINTIFF, APPOINTMENT OF STEERING COMMITTEE, AND APPROVAL OF SELECTION OF LEAD COUNSEL, COORDINATING COUNSEL, AND LIAISON COUNSEL;
3. DECLARATION OF NANCY F. GANS IN SUPPORT OF THE MOTION OF THE COLUMBIA FUNDS LEAD PLAINTIFF MOVANTS FOR CONSOLIDATION, APPOINTMENT AS LEAD PLAINTIFF, APPOINTMENT OF STEERING COMMITTEE, APPROVAL OF SELECTION OF LEAD COUNSEL, COORDINATING COUNSEL, AND LIAISON COUNSEL; and
4. [PROPOSED] ORDER CONSOLIDATING ACTIONS, AND APPOINTING LEAD PLAINTIFF AND STEERING COMMITTEE, APPROVING SELECTION OF LEAD COUNSEL, COORDINATING COUNSEL, AND LIAISON COUNSEL.

Dated April 13, 2004

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